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For: OPTICAL-PICKUP SLIDER,  
MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF,  
PROBE AND MANUFACTURING METHOD  
THEREOF, AND PROBE ARRAY AND  
MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

Examiner: P. D. Kim

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the election of species requirement set forth in the Office Action dated January 12, 2005 (Paper No.20050103), Applicants hereby provisionally elect Group N; at least claims 18-37, 38-111, 112-131, and 132-205 are readable on the elected species.

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Respectfully submitted,

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